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Disclosure of Co-Pending Application

Applicants disclose to the Examiner the existence of co-pending U.S. Patent Appl. Serial No. 10/819,834 ('834 application) currently being examined by Examiner Usmann Saeed in art unit 2166. In an Office action dated May 3, 2007, claims 1-2, 6-8, 10-12, 13, 16-17, and 39-40 of the '834 application were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2003/0009552 to Benfield, and claims 3-5, 9, 14-15 and 18 of the '834 application were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Benfield in view of U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2004/0059813 to Bolder et al.

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